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**Sent:** 2/12/2021 3:20:41 PM  
**To:** Curry, Tim [Curry.Timothy@epa.gov]; Schademann, Randy [Schademann.Randy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: Region 7 ER Report: February 12, 2021  
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Thank you for the report.

AltEn has been all of the media lately. I've been reading about it via Xerces Society, Nebraska Conservation, and Facebook. On Monday, I finally asked for NDEE for the Facility ID so I could look in AltEn's public records to see what was actually going on. From what I understand, the NDEE ordered the AltEn to cease operations for the next 30 days. In that time, the facility is supposed to be working on / submit a wastewater disposal plan for approval. I can't fathom how that will even be possibly - my personal opinion (not my agency).

Do you anticipate EPA getting involved at some point?

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**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2021 8:52 AM  
**To:** Schademann, Randy <Schademann.Randy@epa.gov>; Ciurej, Amanda K <amanda\_ciurej@fws.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Region 7 ER Report: February 12, 2021

I have attached the report. Also I talked with Neil Hiel and he indicated the state has been investigating a stillage issue with ALTEN regarding its left over solids from ethanol generation. Seems they were generating ethanol from pesticide treated corn seeds and spreading the stillage on fields. There were some pesticide residue issues that resulted from this process. The NDEE indicated they will be following up on the spill report.

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**From:** Schademann, Randy <Schademann.Randy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2021 8:42 AM

**To:** Curry, Tim <Curry.Timothy@epa.gov>

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Hey Tim, can you help Amanda out on this (she's with the USFWS and we used to see her pretty often pre-COVID on the Siouxland Subarea).....

Randy

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**From:** Ciurej, Amanda K <[amanda\\_ciurej@fws.gov](mailto:amanda_ciurej@fws.gov)>

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**To:** Schademann, Randy <[Schademann.Randy@epa.gov](mailto:Schademann.Randy@epa.gov)>

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Morning Randy,

Can you provide me what you received on the AltEn manure and stillage?

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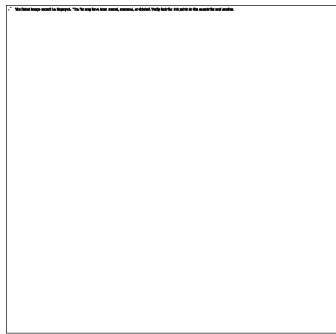
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## **Region 7 ER Report: February 12, 2021**

### **R7 State EOCs:**

<b>State</b>	<b>Ops at EOC</b>	<b>Phone Duty Officer Ops</b>
Kansas	State EOC is still operational. ESF 10 is still activated and participating remotely for all briefings. All staff have returned to work and are working remotely as much as possible; with a limited number of staff in the office. KDHE has resumed site-work and limited staff travel to areas not identified as COVID-19 hotspots.	PDO (spills coordinator) is in the office and taking spill line calls through routine methods. After-hours PDO is staffed by the Spill Coordinator and assisted by other staff. District offices are working spills through routine methods.
Nebraska	NDEE is in normal work status. Offices are open to the public and will remain open. NDEE has completed the move of its new Lincoln office. The office is fully open. Most NDEE employees are working their normal hours at their office workstations (COVID-19 specific remote-work policies will continue to be implemented).	The main number for NDEE (402-471-2186) will still be answered (8-5 Monday through Friday) and transferred as before. NDEE Emergency Response Program Activities will not be affected. However, individual phone numbers will most likely go to voice mail and then forward to e-mail; callers are encouraged to leave messages
Iowa	State EOC is open virtually with only EM staff regularly on-site. Briefings are no longer being held unless necessary. EOC taskings are being conducted virtually through WebEOC.	Spill line is being answered as normal. The Iowa DNR is in Phase 1 of Return to Work Plan (<25% in office), other staff remain AWL. Need for response evaluated at time of call as normal.
Missouri	State EOC currently open. ESF 3 and 10 not currently staffed but maintaining awareness of ongoing operations.	PDO taking spill line calls from alternate work location(s). Will have delayed response times due to teleworking of all responders.

### **Significant Events:**

No Current Significant Events.

### **R7 Responders and Phone Duty Personnel for the Week:**

R1 – Doug Ferguson

R2 – Joe Davis

Day Phone – Randy Schademann

Weekend Phone – Tim Curry

**REOC Status:** Level 2, Type 4: Virtual and partial REOC activation to support regional COVID-19 related activities

### **Weather Outlook:**

Extreme cold temperatures expected throughout the region. For the Kansas City area forecast, go to:  
<https://www.weather.gov/eax/hwo>

**Hot Line Log:**

<u>Date Of Report</u>	<u>NRC NO.</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Reporter / Receiver</u>	<u>Source Of Pollution</u>	<u>Location Of Incident</u>	<u>Material Amount</u>	<u>Material Type</u>	<u>Response Type</u>	<u>Initial Action</u>
02/12/2021 03:41:00	<u>1297838</u>	Pending		ALTEN	MEAD , NE County: SAUNDERS	MANURE AND STILLAGE (0 UNKNOWN AMOUNT);			
02/11/2021 15:22:00	<u>1297802</u>	Closed	T. Curry	H&M TRUCKING	Map PARK CITY , KS County: SEDGWICK	AMINE SOLUTION (2.4-D AMINE4) (60 GALLON(S));	Haz	RP/PRP Response	Follow up